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Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Families and friends enjoyed a day at the fair over the Labour Day long weekend. See more photos of the Kinmount Fair on pages 12 and 13.

Soyers Lake residents crush 'home industry' proposal

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

A Minden resident's pitch to erect a home-based business off Soyers Lake Road has been denied by Minden Hills council.

"The workshop I am proposing to build will be a reflection of my lifestyle and mentality," said Victoria Peters, who requested a zoning bylaw amendment to build a workshop and studio that would be used for "home industry and artistic endeavours."

Peters said the workshop would be designed to look like a barn so it would fit in with the natural surroundings.

"It will have a footprint of 60 feet by 80 feet, a height of 42 feet and three storeys," explained Peters. "The workshop area would be used for home industry, which

includes woodworking, metal working, ceramics, glassblowing, basketry, fibre processing and textile manufacture."

Peters proposed running workshops for the public out of the studio, however, a retail store wouldn't be on the property.

The applicant also hoped to construct two to three dwelling units on the property for her employees.

"This will allow me to have four to eight employees living on site," she said.

Coniferous trees located on the property would limit the view of the shop, said Peters. Noise would be reduced with Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF) block and other design elements.

"The elevation drop in the front is being used to construct water falls on the side of the building, and these waterfalls will further reduce the noise from the shop."

When it comes to the the textile mill and fibre processing facility, Peters said she "sourced" a third party organization to ensure the facility leaves a minimal impact on the environment.

"It is my hope that I can build this workshop to research and develop ideas and products that can lead to the creation of new industries and enhance the sustainability of Haliburton County's economy."

The council chamber was full of Soyers Lake residents opposed to the project, including representatives of the Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association (SLRA). Many voiced their concerns about the proposed bylaw amendment.

"We object to this application," said Case Bassie, president of the SLRA. "The residents and property owners

of the Soyers Lake community are understandably very concerned about this application."

Bassie and members of the organization formed a committee to document their concerns.

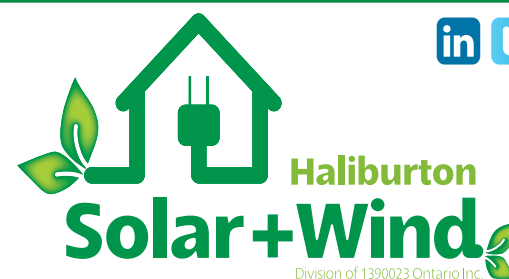
"We've reviewed the application and based on what we've seen is that it is both frivolous and irresponsible, as it clashes with all of the good planning objectives outlined in [the] Minden Hills official plan."

Bassie pointed out that the SLRA had collected the signatures of over 210 property owners on a petition against the project.

"Certainly, there are many commercially-zoned areas in the county that could have this development," he said.

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Highlander news

County approves new policy for cash requests

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

The county now has official guidelines to govern council's response to requests for unbudgeted funds each year.

The county receives requests throughout the year from various groups, usually non-profit organizations, for one-time or even regular annual funding.

"While the county does not want to discourage residents, businesses or organizations from promoting new ideas that will, to the greatest extent possible,

benefit Haliburton County as a whole, it is imperative that requests be reviewed by the Finance and Correspondence Committee to evaluate the overall financial implications before making a recommendation to county council to either deny the request or outline the best way to proceed," the new policy reads.

Those seeking funds must submit the request in writing, explain what the funds will be used for and what support will be required from other levels of government, and explain why the request was not presented during the regular budget process and why it cannot wait until the

following year.

The request must come to council via delegation or a department head report. If council wishes to consider it, the request will be referred to the committee for review and evaluation.

The policy acknowledges there may be extenuating circumstances under which the committee can recommend a request be granted and fulfilled within the current budget allotment. Examples include capital or operating expenditures that were planned but could not be fulfilled, or where additional revenue such as a grant has been received.

The resolution approving any unbudgeted expense will state where the funds will come from.

The committee will advise council as to whether an approved expense can be spread over more than one budget cycle and the impact of doing so. While reserves have been used to fund projects in the past, reserve balances have been declining and so using those funds for unbudgeted expenses is discouraged "as it will further reduce the county's ability to remain debt free."

The policy is not intended to cover normal changes in department budgets within a fiscal year.

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Highlander news

'We feel threatened': Soyers Lake residents

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Steve McMurray, a member of the SLRA's committee, made a presentation outlining the ways in which the proposal contradicts the township's official plan.

"Many aspects of the proposal violate the existing bylaw and official plan, and these violations are not just minor variances to existing rules but rather huge differences from what is allowed."

McMurray said the accessory building is 14 times the size of what is permitted for a home industry.

"The scale of the proposed operation, with over 14,000-square-feet, three storeys and several different industrial activities, show that this application is for a factory, not a small home industry."

The group looked at the potential for negative impact to the natural environment, including nearby water bodies.

"The proposed activities involve toxic substances that should not be allowed," said McMurray, adding that at the very least an environmental impact study should be required.

He said residents were concerned about the potential for fires and an increase in traffic along the road, among other worries.

A member of the SLRA contacted the Haliburton School of the Arts to "get an expert opinion" on some of the "dangerous compounds" used in the proposed activities, said McMurray. They obtained information on these dangers in a document published by Terri Frew, an employee of the college.

"The document states that synthetic textile dyes may contain azo, which is very hazardous if ingested, and bendine, which

is very hazardous if it comes in contact with the skin or eyes... is extremely flammable and is carcinogenic."

Paul Zalan, another member of the committee, said that property owners signed the petition because they're "very scared."

"We feel threatened," said Zalan. "This development has the potential to create disaster through fire."

Zalan said it could pose a threat to the environment through contamination of the air, soil and water.

"This application is not suitable," he said. "It has the potential to have a disastrous impact on the environment."

Following the public meeting, councillors discussed the proposal before voting.

"My take on this is that the activity proposed and the resulting zoning application requested is not consistent with the neighbourhood... in my perspective, it's not suitable," said councillor Larry Clarke.

Councillor Ken Redpath

said the workshop sounds "far bigger" than what he would consider to be a home industry.

"I definitely don't think it's suitable for a waterfront environment or certainly in any residential area," he said.

In a unanimous decision, councillors voted against the proposal.

"Unfortunately, miss Peters has left the room, but I did want to say to her that council has every interest in supporting good ideas for the community, and we already have a rich history in artistic endeavours," said Reeve Barb Reid after the vote. "On an appropriate piece of property, this sounds like it could have been a very exciting venture."

As of press time, The Highlander was unable to obtain further comment from Peters.



Photo by Mark Arike

Soyers Lake property owners made their presence felt at a recent public meeting to oppose a request from a resident to start a home-based business in their neighbourhood.

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Editorial opinion

The bully in me

Maybe it's the fact that my birthday always fell on the first few days of school, but for some reason this time of year always brings me back to my elementary and high school days.

I enjoyed school for the most part. Although I wasn't a fan of the homework, I liked recess, playing school sports, and participating in other extra-curricular activities.

Mostly I kept to myself. From Grades 1 to 6 I had two friends. The three of us were our own little group – friendly with most of the other kids in our grade but we didn't hang out with them. That trend continued through the rest of my school career.

I moved around a bit, but each new school I went to, I had two or three good friends and that was it. Together we got through it, and even had a little fun along the way.

While I wasn't a popular kid, most people liked me well-enough and left me alone. Apart from the odd incident here and there, I avoided being bullied or otherwise harassed at school. It's a tragedy that more kids can't say the same thing.

My oldest sister was a victim of bullying throughout school. She was smart, timid, skinny and a little nerdy-looking. I guess she was an easy target.

They called her names, spread rumours about her and laughed at her constantly. It was hard to see her come home in tears and be too sad to get up the next day for school – especially since she was such a smart girl who enjoyed her classes so much.

Bullying took a real toll on her and ruined what should have been a fun and exciting time in her life.

While I wasn't the victim of bullying, I did play the role of bully one time. I remember the incident so vividly, and to this day I'm still ashamed.

My victim's name was Alain.

Alain rode the bus with me in Grade 8. He wasn't a popular kid. In fact, everyone always made fun of him. He couldn't help

but want to fit in, and so, when encouraged by other kids to do things, Alain would always say yes.

On the way home one winter day in Timmins, someone told Alain to kick my seat. I asked him to stop, but as the other kids kept egging him on, he kept going and going. I got angry and lost my temper. When Alain got off the bus, I followed him, even though my stop wasn't for another five minutes.

He started to run and I chased him down the road onto a side street. I remember seeing the fear in his eyes when he looked back. I caught him, knocked him into a snow bank and started pushing his face in the powder.

I'm lucky to have great friends. The best of those was with me that day, and he had followed us the whole way. He pulled me off Alain, stepped between us and told me to back off.

He called me a bully.

It's a powerful and humbling moment when your best friend challenges you like that. It makes you think hard about what you're doing or what you've done.

And then I remembered my sister.

I apologized to Alain the next day and was never a bully again.

Because I wanted to feel like a tough guy, I made someone else afraid. Because those kids wanted to be funny, they hurt, mocked and tried to ruin my sister.

It's easy to be a bully. It doesn't take courage or strength to make someone else feel small. But it does take courage to stand up to one, like my best friend did to me, and tell them they're wrong.

I choose to believe there are a lot of courageous young students in our schools. Let's help them stand up to bullying.



By Matthew Desrosiers

All for one

Taglines, mottos, slogans — whatever you call them, they serve specific purposes. One is to explain what a company does, particularly if it's not clear from the name. Nobody would guess what OmniCorp or Service International does, but add a catchy phrase like *building today's trucks with tomorrow's technology* and people start to get the picture.

The other objective of taglines is to communicate a brand: the benefit you, the consumer, get from using the product or service. While *just do it* may not seem to have much to do with sports clothing, the spirit of such a phrase is exactly what Nike customers are supposed to feel by wearing their products. This kind of tagline is often harder to create; it's difficult to be catchy, clever, descriptive and promising at the same time without being corny. Descriptive taglines, too, can fail in their purpose; I defy anyone to explain what *taking you more personally*, an airline motto, actually means.

The best taglines give consumers a direct connection to the heart of the brand, otherwise known as the core strategy, or sometimes its vision. When Nike designs new clothing or shoes, there's no doubt they consider, consciously or not, whether the item says "just do it" before putting it on the market. That's why you don't see any Nike-branded cardigans; cardigans don't exactly make one feel sporty or empowered. Good taglines like Nike's help the public relate to an organization, and help the organization stay on track.

So it should have been good news when Algonquin Highlands recently declared that *adventure begins here*. Indeed it does, as many a resident and tourist can attest – and good on AH for getting the job done in time for some free provincial signage.

Nevertheless, Algonquin Highlands's new slogan creates even more issues of consistency with the county's brand identity.

I say even more, because AH is actually late to the party. Minden Hills is *in season, every season*, a motto that, inadvertently to be sure, puts every pet owner in the municipality on alert. Dysart is *in the heart of the Haliburton Highlands*, a safe place to be even if it doesn't say much to potential visitors (Dysart is rumoured to be considering a change to *better than Bancroft*). Highlands East is working the geo-tourism angle with *yours to*

explore and the county, of course, is *a natural work of art*.

We're not all on the same page here, are we?

If we were seriously a natural work of art, that concept would direct our decisions: about the rail trail, about billboards, about the prevalence of public art and about the characters of our towns and hamlets. It doesn't; when decisions are made, rarely is the county's core brand referred to, and even more rarely does it direct policy at either tier of government. So, we may call ourselves a natural work of art, but the billboards and highway sprawl declare otherwise, loudly.

Maybe we're the jumping-off point for adventure, as Algonquin Highlands is suggesting. Except that adventure implies things like speed, height, distance and challenge – not quite the slow, deliberate pace associated with *yours to explore*, a slogan that seems to be tailored to a different type of traveller than your typical ATV-riding, zipline-zipping adventurer.

Ok, so we're four places, as many would like to see remain the case. Except we're not, or at least not being marketed as such. When the county divested itself of responsibility for economic development, it kept and expanded its role in tourism. Already we're seeing positive effects, both in the virtual world of social media marketing and the real world of events. But the county can't deliver a consistent message (or brand if you like) to potential visitors if our municipalities are all telling different stories.

Inevitably it's another case of trying to be all things to all people, which is really a way of being nothing to everyone. Art lovers aren't looking for adventure and sports fishermen, generally, aren't looking for art. Promoting two incompatible concepts at the same time dilutes both.

When we have one chance to connect with tourists, we need to make it count with a singular, powerful message that captures what a stay in Haliburton delivers. It could be any of the themes used by the four municipalities; just not all of them at the same time.

Too bad nobody in Algonquin Highlands suggested *Say AH!*



By Bram Lebo

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Letters to the editor

Village square a sign of urban life

Dear editor,

You asked what we thought of the Haliburton town centre revitalization plan (see Could this be Haliburton Village, The Highlander issue 98, pg. 6). Here's what I think (I am a graduate of the same architecture school as Adam Brady and taught architecture there for several years).

A village square, converted from the Foodland parking lot, is an idea as old as the history of cities. It signals an urban life that goes beyond shopping and commerce to include civic affairs and public events, festivals, social exchange and celebrations. The best known successful example in Ontario is probably Nathan Philips Square in Toronto. It is an area that provides for myriad public events, even a New Year's Eve celebration, and converts to a public skating rink in winter. The same thing has been successfully achieved in Kitchener-Waterloo.

Diversity and density – residential units above ground floor retail – is also an idea long advocated by renowned Canadian urban theorist Jane Jacobs as principles that keep cities and neighbourhoods alive and thriving. It is easy to envision outdoor cafe spaces around the square abuzz with activity on warm summer nights.

Now some caveats. Parking on the roof of Foodland is probably structural delirium. An adjacent parking garage

seems out of scale with the village streetscape. Yet parking will be an issue to be addressed and a problem to be solved as long as Haliburton is an economic and social hub in the area. Even the municipal parking by the dock and park already fills up fast for market days and special events.

The seniors envisioned to be living in the residential floors around the square may not thank you for the noise of continual public events, the staging of which will have to be deliberately scheduled and controlled.

Meanwhile Head Lake Park already accommodates market days comfortably, and the concert venue there is getting a considerable revamp compliments of the Rotary Club.

Additional challenges include the conversion of privately owned land to public use, as you mentioned, as well as the staging and phasing of the build, not to mention the appropriate and successful design of various components of the urban landscape. As usual, the devil will be in the details.

Nevertheless, kudos to those who envision vital public spaces for social exchange and celebration to complement Haliburton's economic viability and natural beauty.

Dr. John Greenwood
University of Waterloo

Why replace wooden boardwalk

Dear editor,

I was shocked to see \$17,000 of our tax dollars could be spent on removal of the enjoyable boardwalk and replacing it with asphalt. Firstly, it is a joy to walk on wood rather than common asphalt. Secondly, if Dysart has an abundance of that kind of

money, surely they can remove \$100 from my tax bill due to a blown tire caused by severe potholes prior to finally replacing the present topping on Wigamog Road.

Shirley May-Taylor
Haliburton

— Fish finding

To many anglers, fish-finding means scouring the lake looking for the telltale rise of a feeding trout or the spatter of splashes as a large bass chases a school of minnows forcing them to leap clean out of the water.

The phrase may also encompass checking out likely looking hangouts such as rocky drop-offs or beds of lily pads; paddling or motoring slowly along trying to work out just where those wily pickerel are currently cruising.

'Finding fish' might also be turned around to read 'fish-finding' and there's even a machine that you can buy to do that for you. The fish-finder is something that many anglers now arm themselves with. It's a portable device that literally lets you see underwater, sort of, scanning beneath the surface of the lake to detect fish and fishy places with much more accuracy than your average fisherman. Well that's what it says on the box of the one I purchased a while back. Can't say it's done me many favours in my quest to catch anything, though!

A friend of mine recently took the phrase finding fish to a whole new level while at the

local landfill. There, before his unbelieving eyes, was a three foot long speckled trout bedecked in its glorious spawning colours, just sat amidst the garbage. Fortunately it didn't stink as it was made of tin. He scooped it up and brought it home to his wife, texting ahead to tell her that he'd found a great new addition for the living room.

She was outside to meet him on his return, hands on hips. "Whatever it is, if you found it at the dump it isn't going in my living room," she said.

"But look," he countered, lifting the trout from the back of the pick-up.

"Like I said!" were her final words on the matter.

However, fish-finding has come to mean something else in my household these days. It takes on a whole different guise to trolling the lakes day after day to no avail as is the case on my part at least, and visiting the landfill is not required. You see, Little Z and I have devised a game entitled Fish Finding. It is easy to play and is always 'in-play' whenever we go anywhere, from friends' houses to the village or on road trips and vacations.

Photo of the week



Photo submitted by Beryl Gorin

Beryl's vision of Haliburton Village at Christmas.

Haliburton 2020 is already here

Dear editor,

I see I am five years out for I have been setting up a Christmas display of Haliburton Village and calling it Haliburton 2020 for the last three years (see Could this be Haliburton, The Highlander issue 98, pg. 6).

I am enclosing pictures of my Christmas Village. I feel they do not do it justice as it is quite impressive when all these houses, buildings, and street lights are lit up. They are fibre* optic and vey colourful.

The theatre has a dance hall above it and the dancers move to music. Also my skating rink has an excellent music system that plays Christmas carols or skating music and the skaters skate around

on the pond. The large Christmas tree in the centre of town revolves as the people decorate it. Children are sleighing down hills and I even have a paper boy handing out newspapers outside of the Christmas store.

It's a very busy place with department stores, gift shops, restaurants, bookstores, a cheese shop, and carol singing. My friends come to see it every year.

It takes several days to set up but I usually have it ready around the first week of December. I do this for my own enjoyment, as I enjoy Christmas so much and look forward to this every year.

Beryl Gorin
Haliburton

The Outsider



By Will Jones

There is only one rule, if you see a fish shout 'FISH!'

"But that means you are on a lake or river," I hear you say. Well no, not really. My friend Phil has a trophy walleye mounted on his living room wall. "Fish!" yells Little Z as he spots it.

"Dam it," I mutter under my breath, knowing I should have beaten him to it. Similarly, Billy the Singing Bass, sitting on a shelf in Home Hardware gets the same treatment. The boy is on form and always on the lookout, whereas I lose my Fish Finding focus while dealing with trifling matters like work, shopping, looking out for cars as we cross the road...

"FISH, FISH, FISH, FISH!!!" We clamour as both of us spot multiple trophy mounts in Outdoors Plus. From behind the counter Karen gives us a bemused look. We step outside on equal fish-count, only for Little Z to spot a man carrying a bag of minnows. He can't sound his words properly as he stammers trying to shout 'FISH', "a hundred times, daddy."

I go into stealth mode, pointing across the

road and shouting "FISH. FISH. FISH."

"I can't see any daddy," he says. I walk him across the road and stand him on the window ledge of the barbers. "Look inside," I say with a wicked smile. "Two more to me."

The game is that simple but there are instances that change its dynamic entirely. The first is when not to play. This is when your kid is feeling really sick and you've taken him to Emerg for a check-up. The kids' examination room there has a fish mural but the doctors don't appreciate walking in to find an adult doing a victory dance while hollering "FISH" at his sickly child.

The second thing that changed the game entirely was the time when Little Z yelled: "FISH. FISH. SHAAARKKK!!!" We were at Norm's Smoke House and for that spot my lovely wife awarded my boy the title, Fish Finding Winner for an entire week. I guess I really should concentrate on trying to catch the real thing.

Highlander news

Petition goes after Minden cell towers

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

They believe it's time for Minden Hills to create a policy for the installation of cell phone towers.

Dave Bonham and Corina Sallaberger attended the Aug. 29 regular council meeting to voice their concerns and request action now.

"We think a policy needs to be put in place," said Bonham, who is a Minden resident.

Bonham and Sallaberger told council they had obtained 173 signatures on a paper petition and 53 online. The petition asks that Bell and the township come up with an alternative to tower W2204, which is located near Denna and Gull lakes, and that the township establish a policy going forward.

"There was no public consultation [for tower W2204]," said Bonham, who explained that an employee from an outside consulting firm gave the sign-off on the 400-foot-tall tower without council's knowledge.

"Some transitions were taking place in the planning department at that time... that have allowed this to happen," he said.

In the case of that tower, Bell followed the proper procedures in order to receive approval from Industry Canada.

Some residents are upset because the tower's flashing red lights are a hindrance to clear night skies.

"They come out flashing and destroy your cloudless night," said Bonham.

Sallaberger, a lifelong cottager on Denna Lake, said that public consultation must be part of a policy.

"As seen with the tower in Miners Bay, no public consultation was done and the tower went up without any input," she said.

A policy also needs to take into account the natural environment, said Sallaberger.

"We need respect – and that is for dark skies and the natural beauty of Minden Hills."

Towers should be disguised as trees, otherwise known as "monopines". If they can't be concealed, the township must be shown proof as to why that's the case, said Sallaberger.

If a tower is to be located near a lake, the nearest lake association must be contacted in writing.

"The proponent also needs to provide replies from the [lake] association as proof that they were consulting with the association," she said, while listing other

requests, which had been extracted from policies established by other municipalities.

Finally, Sallaberger requested that an application be reviewed by council before it is given final approval by Industry Canada.

Reeve Barb Reid thanked the pair for "bringing this very serious matter to the forefront." She acknowledged the fact that the Miners Bay tower had been approved without council knowing about it and agreed that the township needs to have "a much more thorough process in place to avoid situations like this."

"This will be referred to staff to develop such a procedure," she said.

Reid said that MP Barry Devolin has been trying to find an alternative to the lighting system that is in place on the tower. The township has also written to the executives at Bell to bring the matter to their attention.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE IRONDALE RIVER STRUCTURAL CULVERT REPLACEMENT Environmental Assessment Study W.P. 4128-10-01

THE STUDY

The **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** has retained **McCormick Rankin (MRC)** to undertake an Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the replacement of the Irondale River culvert under Highway 118, west of Loves Road in Haliburton County.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A Public Information Centre (PIC) is being held to provide stakeholders and the public with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed design, potential impacts and proposed mitigation. Members of the Project Team will be available at the PIC to discuss the project with you and answer any questions you have.

A presentation is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., which will provide stakeholders with an overview of the project and an opportunity to ask questions. The PIC is scheduled as follows:

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2013
Location: Lloyd Watson Centre
2249 Loop Road, Wilberforce
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Presentation at 6:00 p.m.

THE PROCESS

This study is being carried out in accordance with the approved planning process for Group 'B' projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000), with the opportunity for public input throughout. Upon completion of the study, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be available for public review and comment. A Notice of Submission will be published in local newspapers at that time to explain the review process and identify locations where the TERSR can be reviewed.

COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have regarding this study. If you are unable to attend the PIC and wish to obtain further information or if you wish to provide comments, please contact either the Consultant Project Engineer or MTO Senior Project Manager listed below.

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Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant le 613 736-7200 poste 3248, auprès de Carmen Lapointe, Courriel : clapointe@mrc.ca.

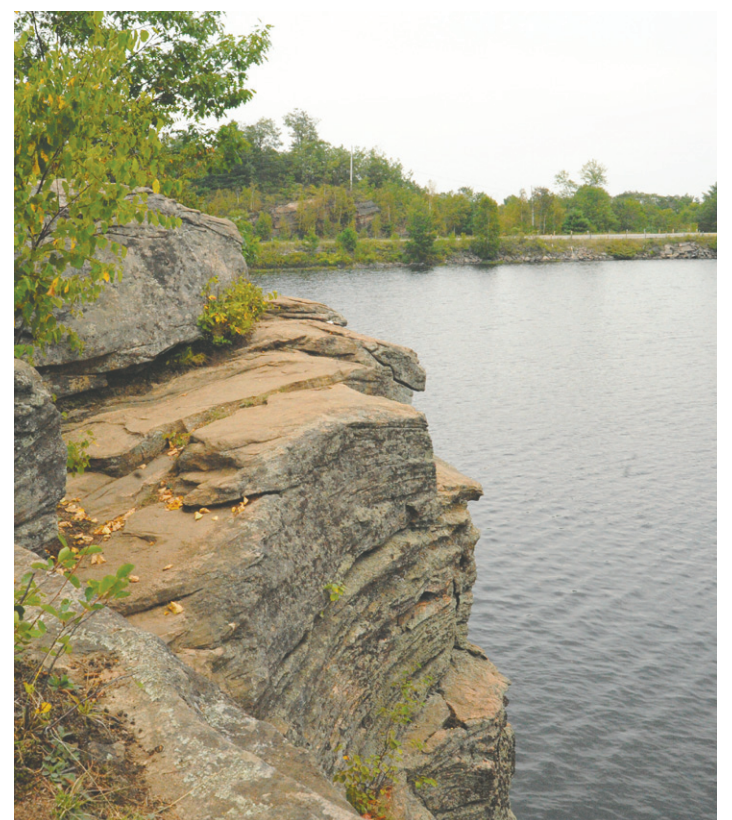
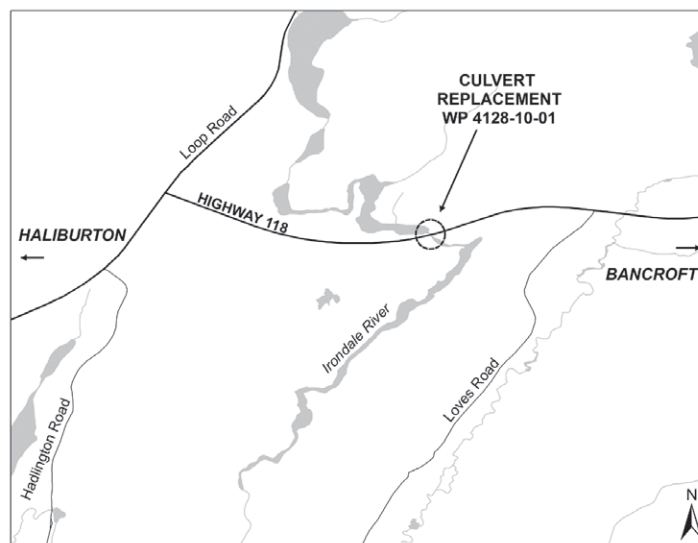


Photo by Mark Arike

Florian Plank died after jumping from this cliff on Aug. 29.

Evening cliff jump ends in tragedy

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Underwater Search and Recovery Unit has recovered the body of a 31-year-old man who drowned in Little Gull Lake on Aug. 29.

Florian Plank of Newmarket, along with several others, was jumping off the rocks on Bracken Trail 20 feet above Little Gull Lake at approximately 7 p.m. He was accidentally struck by another person and did not re-surface. The OPP were called in to begin the search. They continued the recovery process on Aug. 30.

Plank was located at approximately 11 a.m. and recovered by an OPP diver.

According to a Minden resident, Bracken Trail is a popular cliff-jumping location in the area.

Police do not suspect foul play. A post-mortem will be conducted to determine the exact cause of death.

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By Matthew Desrosiers

Moffatt takes home the big canoe

Carol Moffatt has won a Langford cedar-strip canoe in Canoe FM's 10th annual fundraiser golf draw. The canoe retails for \$5,700. Her winning ticket, one of 814 that were sold, was drawn on Sept. 1. Canoe FM had two early bird draws for 30 prizes. Altogether they gave out over \$19,000 in prizes, which included foursome golf fees to 15 different courses. The draw raised \$16,280. Pictured above are Ron Murphy, Canoe FM studio engineer; Roxanne Casey, station manager; Carol Moffatt; Malcolm MacLean, station president; and Dave Allen, sales representative.

CountyBriefs

Paving tied in with Tim's job

The county's public works department will pave and patch part of County Road 21 in Haliburton this fall while creating additional traffic lanes for the new Tim Hortons. "This [paving] project is coming late in the year because we're trying to coordinate it with the extra lanes we're putting in at Tim Hortons," said Doug Ray, department director. Royel Paving won the paving contract for the road section from Peninsula Drive to County Road 1, bidding \$240,269.98. The project budget is \$275,000.

Gelert Road to close for culvert replacement

Replacement of a culvert at the south end of Gelert Road in Minden Hills will begin in the second or third week of September and require road closure for two days. County public works director Doug Ray reports the project will last about one week, with traffic detoured during the closure. Floodwaters over the years have rusted the 42-year-old culvert through in places and weakened the surrounding support structure, he said. The project was budgeted at \$225,000 from the bridge reserve. Royel Paving won the replacement contract with a bid of \$121,847.90. Other costs include additional paving and guard rail protection.



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Meetings and Events

September 5

7:00 pm, Lochlin Community Centre Advisory Committee meeting, Lochlin Community Centre

September 12

9:00 am, COTW meeting, Minden Council Chambers (public session 10:00am)

September 15

9:30 am, Terry Fox Run, Minden Arena (Registration at 9:00 am)

September 26

9:00 am, Regular meeting of Council
Minden Council Chambers (public session 10:00am)

Request for Tenders

We are requesting tenders from qualified companies or individuals for the creation of custom wooden signs in Minden Hills Ontario.

Tenders to be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked
"Tender No. CSD 13-004- Portal Signage for Minden Hills"

No later than Friday September 20, 2013
12:00 noon local time to:

Clerk's Office, 2nd floor Township of Minden Hills
7 Milne Street, PO Box 359
Minden ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Janette Loveys, Director of Community Services
Tender documents can be obtained from
sprentice@mindenhills.ca or by visiting
the Clerk's Office, 2nd floor.

Doors Open

On September 7th and 8th Haliburton Highlands-Minden Hills will be hosting a "Doors Open" Event. Every year this event attracts residents and visitors across Ontario who are invited to discover hidden heritage treasures, some of which have never been open to the public. Come and enjoy a weekend exploring a number of studios, historical buildings and natural landscapes that make up our spectacular county!

Volunteers are needed with this event. To find out how you can help please contact Elisha at 705-286-2298

For more information on this event please check out www.doorsopenontario.on.ca

Public Skating

At the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena for the 2013/14 season, is each Sunday and Wednesday from 12 noon to 2 pm

Helmets are recommended

Please call Jane Harrison, CSD Administrative Assistant at 705-286-1936 for details and for scheduling updates



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Recommended for 8+. Instructed by Sarah Jowett
(Student from A.S.E.S. meet in the school foyer to be walked over by instructor. School requires a note from the parent)
FEE: October - December 2013 \$20pp includes supplies

Calligraphy

Learn about and see demonstration by Judith Bainbridge
Thursday, September 19 6:30pm-8pm,
in the Common Room

Judith worked for the past twenty years as a full-time, freelance artist. Her commissions for the federal government and the Governor General used her traditional scribe skills-gilded and decorated initials, lettering in historical scripts, cutting quills and writing on skins. She will discuss what calligraphy is, demonstrate how to cut a quill and do some writing on calfskin in the traditional medieval way, as well as some modern writing with a calligraphy pen.

Encaustic—Painting with Wax Pigments

Learn about and see demonstration by Laura Culic
Saturday, September 21 1pm-3pm,
in the Common Room

With hot griddles, pigmented wax and clear wax, she will demonstrate starting a piece from the beginning - laying in and fusing the base layers of wax, and then demonstrate on a couple other paintings part way finished which she will apply wax and also scrape, score, incise and demo intaglio and image transfer techniques. She will show how various tools are used and collage techniques using mixed media such as ink, graphite, water colour, and oil.

The possibilities seem unlimited with encaustic, and Laura never runs out of things to show people during a demo...of interest for all ages. Often someone in the audience comes up with an idea she hasn't tried before, and things become interactive.

Demonstrations are admission by donation.

Minden Hills Museum & Pioneer Village
The War of 1812

Myths, Legends & Realities of the Canadian Invasion

Museum Lecture Series

Curator Darren Levstek will be giving a two-part lecture series on the War of 1812 to look at some of the misconceptions, myths and realities of the American invasion of Upper & Lower Canada.

The first presentation will be on
Thursday, September 5th at 7:00 pm

The second presentation will be on
Thursday, September 19th at 7:00 pm

Both presentations will be held in the
Cultural Centre Common Room

Fire Calendar Winners

Week of August 26

Sonya Samson
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Week of September 2

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Employment Opportunity

The Community Services Department is looking for

Relief Staff at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre

The position will involve working at the reception desks, answering phones, taking admission, welcoming and informing visitors about the Centre's programming as well as retail sales.

The position is based on 14 hours per week being one week day and some Saturdays.

The rate of pay is \$10.25/hour

Qualifications:

Responsible, friendly individuals who enjoy working with others as well as basic knowledge of Microsoft Office software.

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Prior to the final selection for this position, the applicant shall be required to provide, at their own expense, a background check from the Ontario Provincial Police or appropriate Police Force.

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a letter of application together with a detailed resume of education and experience by 12:00:00 noon Thursday, September 19, 2013 to:

Clerk's Office, 2nd floor
Township of Minden Hills
7 Milne St, PO Box 359
Minden, ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Janette Loveys,
Director of Community Services

Detailed Position Descriptions can be obtained from the
Clerk's Office, 2nd floor or by
contacting sprentice@mindenhills.ca

Road Construction Notice

Reconstruction of Parkside Street is scheduled to begin the week of September 9, 2013

Completion date of November 1, 2013 and will involve the installation of new storm sewers and catch basins, new sidewalks and repaving of the road surface from Bobcaygeon Road to Dick Street.

The street will be open to local traffic only during a portion of this time.

Alternate route will be Prentice Street.

Please visit www.mindenhills.ca or contact
Kevin Hill at khill@mindenhills.ca
for full construction updates and details.

See page 21 for additional ads

Highlander business

Chaulk one up to resilience

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

After losing everything in Minden's spring flood, Chaulk Woodworking is back and better than ever.

But it hasn't happened without a fight.

The husband and wife team of Trevor and Angela Chaulk saw their business drown – literally and figuratively – in April when the waters began to rise.

On April 19, a Friday, the pair were working late at their old location on Peck Street when they noticed the water starting to rise over the road.

"By Saturday it was on the parking lot," Trevor said. "Sunday morning it was in the shop, and by Sunday night we were completely flooded out. That's how fast it came up."

The waters peaked at two feet through the entire 3,000-square-foot shop. Heavy machinery and supplies were ruined, as were two recently completed kitchens awaiting installation, valued at \$50,000.

"Nobody anticipated it was going to go that high," he said. "We lost pretty well everything and all of our contents [were moved to] storage containers. The value of the company was basically nothing after the flood."

Although their business was in ruins, Chaulk Woodworking still had clients to serve and commitments to meet.

"We had obligations to fulfill," Trevor said. "We did whatever it took, and we're still doing it."

Angela said they were working late into the nights out of their own driveway and storage pods to get some of the work done.

"Limberlost was a big help within the first few weeks," Trevor recalled. "They reached out and offered their facility so we could have some sort of a showroom so we could meet people, and we used their spray room as well."

They even went so far as to renovate and retrofit a friend's property so they could work there during the summer.

"All this time we were still serving our clients, working out of a truck, garages, our driveway, whatever it took to get the job done."

The company was in the middle of 12 kitchen and millwork jobs at the time of the flood, but afterwards was only working at 30 per cent efficiency.

After finding out from their landlord that it could take up to three months for the building to be repaired from the flood damage, and knowing that the business wouldn't survive that long, Trevor and Angela decided it was time to make a big change.

On June 7 the pair took possession of Chaulk Woodworking's new building, located at 11431 Highway 35.

They've been there for three months, and during that time have started the process of

rebuilding the company.

"We're back at full capacity but we're still behind schedule," Trevor said. "It's going to take us probably another six weeks to get fully caught up with all the work that was ordered prior to the flood."

Throughout the summer, Chaulk Woodworking has managed to keep most of their clients.

"We tried our best to keep in contact with our clients, let them know step by step what was going on," he said, adding that their customers were very patient.

Trevor and Angela took the opportunity of a new start and implemented several changes to the business they wanted to do.

They've now teamed up with Limberlost to build new cabinet designs that are stronger and better than before, Trevor said. They now use mortise and tenon joinery for the cabinets. They've also paired up with Burt's Appliances in Fenelon Falls and plan to start offering appliance sales.

The company has upgraded equipment, owns a building and showroom, will have a wide range of accessories for sale and the hardware to go along with it.

"Customers can buy their appliances, get their cabinetry, all the accessories," Trevor said. "Basically we're trying to create a one-stop shop, so when they have a kitchen renovation in mind we can do it all for them. That way they don't have to go running around."



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers
Angela and Trevor Chaulk.

With a new team working hard to catch up on orders, Trevor and Angela are thankful for their staff, their customers, and the businesses and suppliers that helped them through the summer.

On Sept. 7 from 12-4 p.m. at their new location, Chaulk Woodworking is hosting a grand re-opening and customer appreciation event complete with barbecue and light refreshments. Anyone stopping in will also receive a 10 per cent gift certificate on a contract signed within 45 days.

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What'sUp

What doors are open in 2013

Doors Open Ontario was launched by the Ontario Heritage Trust in 2002 as a way of getting people to become more interested in their heritage. The idea was to appeal to peoples' sense of curiosity by opening doors to buildings that would normally be closed to the public on an everyday basis.

In the Highlands the annual event is located in a different municipality every year. The last time Doors Open came to Minden Hills was in 2009. At that time the highlight for me was being able to access the hydro dam on the Gull River and to get inside the art deco power station which was built in the 1930s.

This time around you won't be able to access the hydro dam or the power station as there is construction going on. So I ask you what heritage buildings are there that you might like to see? The clergy house, which is the oldest building in Minden? Sorry you can't go there, private residence. The Dominion Hotel which has a rich history and a ghost? Sorry, that's not on the list either. How about the old Miner's Bay Lodge? Nope, they're having a reunion. St Paul's Anglican Church? The Masonic Lodge? The beautiful old building that houses the Wild Swan B&B? The fire station? No, no, no, and no.

Ok, so there are valid reasons why these locations are not open to the general public on Sept. 7 and 8, the two days of Doors Open 2013. But hopefully some of these locations



will be open the next time the event comes to Minden, when an appropriate theme might induce the powers that be to open those doors to us.

The theme of Doors Open 2013 is Cultural Expressions, which, as the brochure says, 'recognizes the relationship between heritage and the arts.' Say, isn't there a complex in Minden that deals specifically with those two subjects? Yes there is, and appropriately it's on the list of places to visit. It's called the Cultural Centre, comprised of Nature's Place, the Minden Hills Museum, the Agnes Jamieson Gallery and the library. In Nature's Place you can experience our natural heritage. The museum consists of a pioneer village and at the gallery you can see heritage landscapes by Andre Lapine, an artist of historic significance.

Some of the other locations that make up

Doors Open this year are comprised of artist's studios, which effectively turns the Minden version of Doors Open 2013 into yet another studio tour, albeit a centralized one. Artists whose studios you can visit are Laura Trach who works with textiles, Tom Green whose chosen media is glass, metal worker Leo Sepa, landscape specialists John Lennard and Gary Chapman, and potters Ricky Woods, and Wayne and Sylvia Rose. Not a bad little tour, though truth be told several of the artists are on studio tours already. But what the hey, the more exposure the better, right?

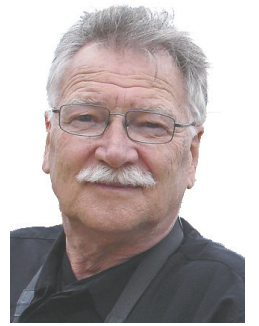
In addition to the artists you can visit the Sunny Rock B&B, and the Minden House B&B, both of which have rich histories. The oddest location would seem to be the Queen Elizabeth II Woodlands Provincial Park. But according to the Doors Open brochure, walking, hiking and cycling trails are also

part of the Doors Open experience. It will be interesting to see what kind of door is provided in order to access the park, but guided tours will take place and directions to the park will be provided at 1 p.m. each day at the Cultural Centre.

It would appear then, that having initially concentrated on sites which offer a heightened sense of intrigue precisely because they aren't always open to the public, Doors Open Ontario now features locations where doors are nearly always open, or are merely metaphoric. And it's all free. Whee.

So what could possibly be added to the menu in future years? Menu, hmmm, that's it. I think next year's theme should feature restaurants whose menus offer heritage root veggies, or maybe a kitchen that contains an ancient fryer. How about restaurants which get their produce from local farms? Farms, now there's a good idea. Heritage farms. We have a few. The possibilities are now seemingly endless, but for this year the Cultural Centre, artist's studios, B&B's and a provincial park will have to suffice. So, walk right in.

More information is available at doorsopenontario.on.ca



By George Farrell



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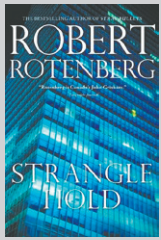
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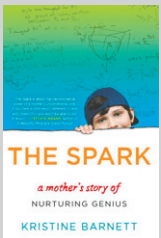
Haliburton County's Hot Reads



The following are the top five fiction and non-fiction titles as requested this week at the Haliburton County Public Library.

HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *Stranglehold* by Robert Rotenberg
2. *Inferno* by Dan Brown
3. *And the Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini
4. *Mistress* by James Patterson
5. *The Cuckoo's Calling* by Robert Galbraith



HCPL's TOP 5 NON-FICTION

1. *The Spark: a mother's story of nurturing genius* by Kristine Barnett
2. *Wave: a memoir* by Sonali Deraniyagala
3. *Happy Money: the science of smarter spending* by Elizabeth Dunn
4. *The Plan: eliminate the surprising "healthy" foods that are making you fat—and lose weight fast* by Lyn-Genet Recitas
5. *The Juggler's Children: a journey into family, legend and the genes that bind us* by Carolyn Abraham

Buzz book *The Cuckoo's Calling* written under the pseudonym Robert Galbraith by famed author J.K. Rowling is new to our high holds list. Published at the end of April, this detective story received strong praise, but lacked stellar sales until Rowling was revealed to have penned the novel.

It introduces readers to Cormoran Strike, a private investigator who lost a leg to a land mine in Afghanistan. Cormoran is down on his luck, but when John Bristow walks through his door claiming that his famed supermodel sister's suicide was in fact murder, Cormoran is plunged into a mirror-thin world of glamour and desperation in order to dig up the truth on the model's demise.

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The Kinmount Fair was in town over the Labour Day long weekend. Pictured on page 12, top: Three young kids hold on for dear life on the Scrambler. Bottom right: A young girl is enjoying a performance by Canadian Country Music Association (CCMA) male artist of the year nominee Chad Brownlee. Bottom left: Paul Starr drives a team of Clydesdales. Pictured on page 13, top: Chad Brownlee rocks the crowd. Above: One young man claims his prize after winning the water gun race.

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Highlands athletes ready for senior summer games

Pinestone to host one-day 55+ sporting event

By Warren Riley
Contributing writer

Another successful year is coming to a close for the 55+ Ontario Seniors Summer Games.

The final challenges will commence at the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre on Sept. 10.

Haliburton District 11 will be hosting the games encompassing the area of Haliburton, east to Bancroft, west to Gravenhurst, and south to Kinmount.

Mary Johnson of Haliburton helped to organize and bring to fruition the 55+ summer games.

"At the beginning of the year, District 11 indicated that they would be willing to host the first Central Region Summer Games," she said. "Regional Games are only held once every two years. From there, a representative from each of the districts gathered together to see if there

was support for such an event."

"The okay was given by all and as a group, it was decided what events would be offered," Johnson continued. "The districts include Muskoka/Parry Sound, Belleville, Haliburton County/Gravenhurst, Kawartha Lakes/Peterborough/Northumberland, Durham, York and Simcoe County."

Unlike other games, Johnson said this event will take place on one day only.

The events selected were bocce ball, bid euchre, duplicate bridge, darts, euchre, five-pin bowling, golf, and perdition walking over a 1.6-km and three-km course.

The walk will start on the waterfront in Haliburton close to the public docks.

The games will conclude the same day with awards for the winners and a banquet to celebrate the occasion.

"A number of the participants are so enthusiastic that they are planning to extend their visit and stay at the Pinestone Resort for a few extra days," said Johnson. "District 11 has made suggestions as to where individuals might explore during their time in Haliburton. For example, the Wolf Centre, Haliburton Forest and Minden Riverwalk were just a few mentioned."

For further information contact the OSGA 55+ Central Ontario Regional Games at 705-489-3850.



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Junior highlanders

When good lessons begin at home

By Carolyn Alder
Contributing writer

As most children in Haliburton County get back into the routine of getting up early and rushing to catch the bus to school, there are a few students in the area who only have to walk a few feet from their beds to get to class.

These students are part of a growing group in the area called the Haliburton Home-Schoolers. This group is made up of 10 families who have chosen to home school their children and officially came together in January 2012. The members not only offer support to one another but hold a variety of social outings for the kids.

Jennifer Wanless-Craig decided to start home-schooling her nine-year-old daughter Anabelle almost two years ago after she was bullied.

"I always wanted to but wasn't sure we could. When things got to the breaking point, we knew anything was better than that."

Another parent, Katina Aleksander, also decided last year to start home-schooling her son Lincoln after he was bullied in junior kindergarten.

"We had played with the idea of home-schooling before but didn't take that leap of faith," she said. "There were some serious issues of bullying and we saw our child turn from a happy, easy-going extroverted kid into a withdrawn and sad child."

Bullying isn't the only reason why some parents are deciding to go the home-schooling route. Joleen Thomas, a teacher by trade, has been home-schooling her seven-year-old daughter Olivia for four years.

"We would probably not have home-schooled had we not had food allergies to contend with," Thomas said. "Maybe that was the excuse or the way I could justify to others that we were making this huge, weird, radical choice but we started it for safety and now it's a lifestyle."

One benefit of home-schooling that many parents like is how you can condense the instruction to a few hours a day, depending on how many kids you are teaching. Other benefits include teaching what your child wants to learn and allowing the lessons to evolve.

"I only need four days a week and use the Ontario curriculum as a guideline," Thomas said. "It's important to me to stay on track, to make sure my kids are meeting all of the basic criteria at a certain age. I've learned that I need to get all that important stuff done in the morning."

Wanless-Craig, a full-time artist, said she does not stick to 30-minute subject times.

"We work on projects or subjects until we feel we can move on."

There are some cons when it comes to conducting school in your home. Thomas said besides never being able to take a break, there is a guilt she often feels when she has to give attention to other things.

"I have this guilt because when do I fit in the time that I need to do stuff that isn't playing with them or doing something for them or taking them somewhere?"

Wanless-Craig agrees when it comes to getting other work done.

"We are self-employed. I end up working late into the evenings so that I can be free during the day."

But the pros do outweigh the cons, said Aleksander.

"You get to learn alongside your child, you are responsible for what they are exposed to, you get to grow with them, and the kids are not pressured to conform to stereotypes."

The common misconception is that home-schooled children are weird or unsocialized, the parents said.

"It is unfortunate that when people think outside the box they are labelled as weird," said Wanless-Craig. "It is the ones that are the creative thinkers who make change. We have a few days a week where we meet with other home-school kids for play and learning. We feel having a child who can interact with all ages of people, kids and



Photo submitted by Katina Aleksander

Home-schooled kids doing crafts with author Janis Cox.

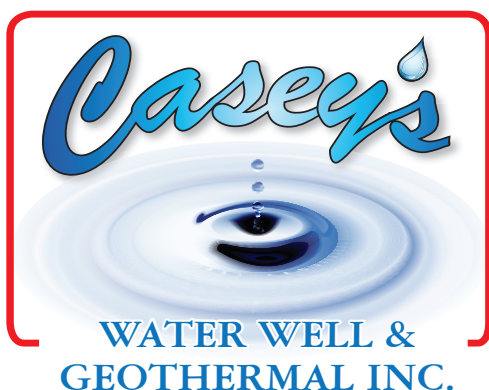
Pictured clockwise are Rylie Aleksander, Violet Humphries, Lincoln Aleksander, Sadie and Kip Buttler, and Hailey Switzer.

adults is good. By teaching our daughter that everyone is her peer, she is able to converse with people of all ages."

Aleksander agrees.

"In terms of socialization, the kids socialize with kids of all ages, as well as adults. They are not restricted to just kids of their own age which is nice. We regularly have time with friends and plan fun field trips. They are being given an opportunity to explore education in a different way."

In Ontario, children are required to attend school once they turn six years old. Parents need to notify the school board, in writing, if they choose to home-school their child.



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Big day for little kids

By Warren Riley
Contributing writer

Like yellow snakes, buses slithered up to the drop-off points at Archie Stouffer Elementary School (ASES) in Minden, packed with students returning for their first day back to school.

Donning brightly coloured caps, dresses and backpacks on Sept. 3, the children ran and greeted their long lost mates of two months ago.

When asked if preparations were complete for the upcoming year, ASES principal Traci Hubbert smiled and commented, "Oh yes! We're ready all right."

Catie Ackerblade and Shannon Voicsey were delighted that their children were back to

school. With their children's ages between four and 12 years, these mothers were thrilled at getting a deserved reprieve.

"It was busy getting them ready for school but also it was a lot of fun," said Ackerblade.

In reference to preparations, books, lunches and clothing, "All that stuff is in the backpack and ready to go today," Ackerblade continued. "Now I can get a lot accomplished."

Voicsey is glad that her children are ready and prepared for another year.

"They're absolutely ready," she said. "I think they are more excited than we are. In one way, it's kind of hard. One way it's exciting and in another way you already miss them."



Photo by Warren Riley

Emery Bagshaw, left, Gracie Gardner and Serenity Bradley get off the bus for their first day of school at Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

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Highlander outdoors

Hike Haliburton keeps climbing

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

If you enjoy hiking, pristine views and unique entertainment, you'll find a hike or event just right for you during the 11th annual Hike Haliburton Festival.

You'll also find one if you're a rock hound, geocacher, art lover, chef, canoeist, painter, runner, music lover...the list goes on in an attempt to accommodate and entice residents and visitors who don't normally hike.

This year's festival runs from Sept. 19 to 22 and features more than 50 hikes geared to various ages and abilities. The 33-page program is chock full of hike, event and entertainment options covering the entire county.

"I think that's why the county considers [the festival] a signature event," says organizing consultant Barrie Martin of Yours Outdoors about the county-wide coverage.

Martin helped launch the festival 11 years ago as chair of then-organizer Trails and Tours Network. The county took over the festival in 2010, and has hired Martin each year since 2011. He says attendance rose from 200 in 2010 to 500 in 2011 and then to 1,200 last year. Organizers are hoping for 1,500 this year based on maximum capacity for the hikes.

New hikes include Boot and Boat, featuring a 1.5-hour hike near Three Brothers Lake and a scenic half-hour boat ride back to the starting point. If you Fish by Foot, a fly fishing expert will detail how to case and fish the Irondale River near Furnace Falls (no experience necessary).

Celebrities from the county and the Toronto area will pop up unannounced on hikes throughout the program, and Martin says the musicians among them have been known to bring along an instrument.

A new charitable component is the



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Highlands East councillor Steven Kauffeldt speaks with mineral enthusiast Jim Mercer during the 'Can you dig it' hike at last year's Hike Haliburton event.

scavenger hunt using photography and social media and featuring Mumford the Moose. The stuffed animal will be available for sale throughout the festival in support of Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

Special events begin with the Blast Off barbecue dinner on Sept. 19 and include an adventure film night, the Jane Bunnett Afro/Cuban Jazz Party, An Evening with Fred Eaglesmith, the Blister Ball and the Last Step Lunch, among others.

The festival has already surpassed this year's sponsorship goal of \$7,000, says Martin.

"We're forever grateful to local sponsors." These include local franchise owners such as Minden Subaru, Foodland and Algonquin Outfitters at the Platinum level. Festival organizers have also successfully engaged sports-related companies such as Mountain Equipment Co-op.

The Gosling Foundation, a private Canadian foundation dedicated to environmental education, has provided funding toward training youths as hike volunteers and in

other capacities. A Celebrate Ontario grant is supporting a partnership with Tokyo Tours to reach the Asian market. Parkbus, a non-profit bus service to several outdoor destinations such as Algonquin Park, will drop some passengers off for the festival for the first time.

Martin says some sponsorship funds will be used to underwrite the hike leader certification program provided by Hike Ontario, new this year for festival hike leaders and their volunteer assistants.

As a result of the sponsorships, many hikes are free. Donations are welcomed (the festival goal is \$2,000). Other hikes and various events have a nominal admission fee. Participant numbers are limited for each hike, so pre-registration is recommended.

Several resorts have teamed up with the festival to offer accommodation deals to hikers.

Festival details, including the full program guide and the registration form, are available at www.experiencehaliburton.com/hike-haliburton-festival.

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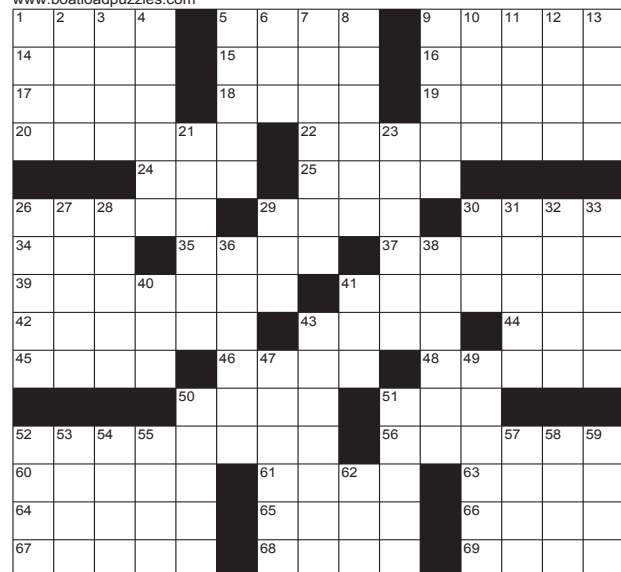


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18. Tinter
19. Cindy Crawford, e.g.
20. Retitle
22. Occupant
24. Agree silently
25. Tree fluids
26. Endured
29. Sandwich shop
30. Irritating one
34. Globe
35. Historic canal
37. Revolve
39. Illegally copy
41. Singer Frank ____
42. Incidents
43. Spoils
44. Albania's cont.
45. Take five
46. Time periods
48. Dad's sisters
50. Make a sweater
51. Bottom-row key
52. Provoker
56. Not wholesale
60. More unusual
61. Spigots
63. Alternative word
64. Barton or Bow
65. Mimic
66. Part
67. Common contraction
68. Horse strap
69. Look for

DOWN

1. "Silkwood" actress
2. Dwell
3. Related
4. Part of FDR
5. Surrendered
6. Sunbeam
7. Supervise
8. Breakfast food
9. Large trucks
10. Lump of dirt
11. Ill-mannered
12. Biblical locale
13. Bruise
21. Early car (2 wds.)
23. Liveliness
26. Not tipsy
27. Treasure ____
28. Reed instruments
29. Excavate
30. "Harper Valley ____"
31. Consumed
32. Walk pompously
33. Rips
36. Take offense at
38. Reduced in price (2 wds.)
40. Explosive (abbr.)
41. Rescue me!
43. Daily grind (2 wds.)
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49. Says
50. Gold measure
51. Criminal burning
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58. ____ of Capri
59. Soup vegetable
62. ____ Beta Kappa

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Last week's puzzle solutions

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Fun Fact:

Every person has a unique tongue print.

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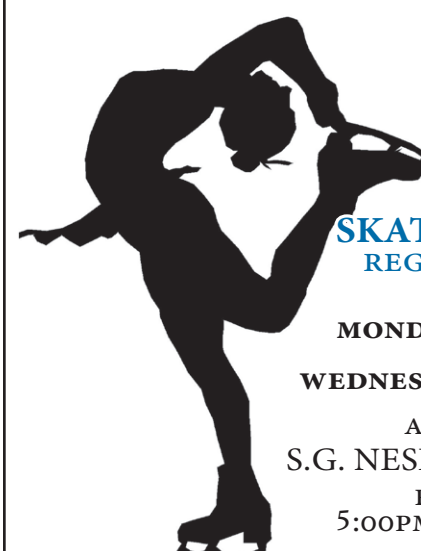
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In Loving Memory of

G. Darlene Johnson

Passed away at Lakeridge Health Oshawa on Sunday, September 1, 2013 with her loving family by her side, at the age of 66.

Darlene is predeceased by her parents John and Edith Johnson. Loving mother of Patti Scheffee (Kevin McColl) of Eagle Lake, Kim (Rick) Pollock of Oshawa, Angela (Tony) Prentice of Oshawa. Cherished "Momma" of Ryan (Lindsay) Scheffee, Cole Scheffee (Jena Bailey), Kaitlyn Pollock, Blake Pollock, Edie Mae Prentice, "GG" to Ava Scheffee, and Liam Scheffee. Dear sister of Leonard (Shirley) Johnson, Larry (Dianna) Johnson, Vicky (Rob) Abbs and Aunt Neenie to many nieces and nephews.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. on Thursday, September 5, 2013 from 11:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Darlene's Life at 1:00 pm. Interment at the Evergreen Cemetery. Reception to follow at the Haven of Rest Chapel. Memorial Donations to the Kidney Foundation or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: September 23, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

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We thank all applicants for their interest but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used for candidate selection purposes only.

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IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON
Call for Tender RDS 13-001

The Township of Minden Hills is selling, by sealed tender bid, the following item:

1 x 2002 Volvo Tandem Dump Truck with a Volvo 305 HP engine, 10 speed transmission, 20,000 front, 40,000 Hendrickson Rubber Block rear end, 13 foot Viking Pro Line U Body Sander and 11 foot power tilt front Plow and 9 foot cable leveling wing.

Sealed Tender Bids can be submitted clearly marked "2002 Volvo Tandem Truck Tender" on or before Thursday, September 26, 2013 12:00:00 noon local time to:

Clerk's Office, 2nd floor
Township of Minden Hills
7 Milne Street, PO Box 359
Minden ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Kevin Hill, Roads Superintendent

Tender bids must be submitted on the call for tender submission forms which are available at www.mindenhills.ca or contacting sprentice@mindenhills.ca. Tender bid prices must show HST separately. Tender bids received by the deadline will be opened the same day at 1:30 pm in the 2nd floor boardroom. Payment must be made by Cash or Certified Cheque only, which must be received by the Township on or before September 27, 2013 12:00:00 noon. Truck and Equipment are sold "where is" and "as is"

Please contact Kevin Hill at khill@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-3144 for inquiries.



IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON
Call for Tender RDS 13-002

The Township of Minden Hills is selling, by sealed tender bid, the following item:

1 x 2007 Ford F150 4x4 Pickup Truck with an 8 foot box, 4 speed automatic transmission, 5.4 V8 engine, red colour, 204,000 km

Sealed Tender Bids can be submitted, clearly marked "2007 Ford F150 4x4 Tender" on or before Thursday, September 26, 2013 12:00:00 noon local time to:

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Red Umbrella Ribfest a rousing success

By Warren Riley
Contributing writer

Ziad Halasah, owner of the Red Umbrella Inn, decided to celebrate his customers, and what better way to do so than a ribfest with live entertainment, dancing and sumptuous ribs.

The Sept. 1 festivities included Elvis Presley impersonator Scott Handel, bands which included Tungsten, Le Chat Noir and Burning Squirrel, and acoustic renditions by Steve Hayward.

As a multi-faceted operation, the Red Umbrella Inn has attracted patrons from far and wide but Halasah wanted to show his appreciation for the support given him by local businesses and residents.

"We have been trying to accommodate for all our local people because [they are] the support we need when things are slow in the winter time or off season," he said. "This event is to say thank you to all my neighbours which have put up with us."

Halasah has owned a cottage in Haliburton County for 35 years and in anticipation of his retirement, he decided to purchase a business.



Photo by Warren Riley

Bob Wing and Jean Toms dancing to live entertainment during ribfest.

"I have always loved the Highlands," he said. "I always wanted to have something to retire to and what better place than Minden. I approached the owner of the Red Umbrella and it took me 20 minutes literally to make up my mind and I said to myself 'how can I go wrong?'"

In lieu of a cover charge, Halasah accepted donations to the Canadian Cancer Society and Leukemia Research Foundation.

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Tender documents, copy of the contract and further information can be obtained from:

The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East
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11th Annual Hike Haliburton Festival



September
19-22, 2013

Over 50
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and abilities!

The Hike Haliburton Festival offers over 50 guided and themed hikes as well as festival events for all ages, interests, and abilities. Bring your friends and family for a weekend of adventure and fun. All hikes are free unless otherwise indicated. Donations are welcome. For a complete list of hikes visit www.hikehaliburton.com.



Adventure Film Night

Friday, September 20
7pm - 10pm

LOCATION: Dorset Parkette (outdoor theatre) or Dorset Recreation Centre (in case of rain).

Relax after a day of hiking and watch a few flicks that will show you what is possible (and seemingly impossible) in the world of hiking, trekking and other outdoor adventures.

\$5/person. Children under 12 free
Tickets available at Tourism Information Centre in Minden.



The Jane Bunnett Afro/Cuban Jazz Party

Featuring vocal sensation
Dayme from Havana

7:30 pm, Friday, September 20

\$25/person Northern Lights Pavilion, Haliburton

Tickets available at Tourism Information Centre in Minden or The Photo Shop and Canoe FM in Haliburton.

Festival Concert An Evening with Fred Eaglesmith Performing his Travelling Steam Show concert Opening Act - Chad Ingram 7:30 pm Saturday, September 21

Presented by the Haliburton County Folk Society -
Tickets: \$25/person; \$20 for members and youth
Northern Lights Pavilion, Haliburton.

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Tourism Information Centre in Minden
or The Photo Shop in Haliburton



Blister Ball

Kick up your heels to the
great music of Gord Kidd
and the 50/50 Band

8:00 pm, Saturday, September 21

Royal Canadian Legion in Wilberforce
\$10/person, Great doors prices. Cash Bar.

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